

December 8, 1999

<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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RE: MUR 4742

Vargas for Congress '96 and Deanna

Liebergot, as treasurer

Juan Vargas

The Primacy Group/Larry Remer

Dear Mr. Woocher:

Thank you for your responses to the Commission's subpoenas and orders issued to your clients in this matter. On November 30, 1999, after reviewing these submissions, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") approved the attached proposed conciliation agreements, and made an additional finding as to one of your clients.

In order to expedite the resolution of this matter, the Commission decided to offer to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a conciliation agreement in settlement of this matter prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. Enclosed are proposed conciliation agreements with The Primacy Group/Larry Remer, Juan Vargas, and Vargas for Congress '96 and Deanna Liebergot, as treasurer, that the Commission has approved.

If you are interested in expediting the resolution of this matter by pursuing preprobable cause conciliation, and if you agree with the provisions of the enclosed agreements, please sign and return the agreements, along with the civil penalty, to the Commission. In light of the fact that conciliation negotiations, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe, are limited to a maximum of 30 days, you should respond to this notification as soon as possible.

The Commission also found that there is reason to believe that Vargas for Congress '96 and Deanna Liebergot, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b) in connection with reporting a debt incurred by the Committee to The Primacy Group. This violation is reflected in the attached conciliation agreement with Vargas for Congress '96.

Requests for extensions of time will not be routinely granted. Requests must be made in writing at least five days prior to the due date of the response and specific good cause must be

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demonstrated. In addition, the Office of the General Counsel ordinarily will not give extensions beyond 20 days.

If you have any questions, please contact Seth H. Row, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Scott E. Thomas

Chairman

Enclosures

Conciliation Agreements (3)